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FOR: INDUCTION OF BLOOD VESSEL FORMATION
THROUGH ADMINISTRATION OF POLYNUCLEOTIDES
ENCODING SPHINGOSINE KINASES

MS: Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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AMENDMENT

This is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of May 23, 2007 in the above-identified patent application. Accordingly this response is timely made in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.7.

However, if it is deemed that additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis for any fees due.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.